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The Dollar vs. the Man

It is claimed that one of the chief reasons why the criminal calendar in the circuit court is so far in arrears, is that there has been a vacancy in the court during a large part of the past year, during which time the two remaining circuit judges have devoted themselves chiefly to trying civil instead of criminal cases.

Granting that the vacancy in the office is a contributing cause it is submitted that giving civil causes the right of way over criminal cases, excepting some which may involve principles affecting the community at large, is a radically wrong policy.

Some men who have been convicted in the police court appeal for the sole purpose of securing delay, in the hopes that they may thereby escape punishment. To these persons the policy of delay is no hardship. It is just what they want.

The community interest requires, however, that these appeals be tried promptly. Otherwise the law can be, and is, defied with impunity, and practically nullified.

Another class of cases, however, is where the persons convicted cannot secure bail, and must remain in jail until trial; or, to whom conviction in the lower court or the indictment found by the grand jury, is an intolerable worry, overshadowing their entire lives until the case be disposed of.

The civil causes involve, as a rule, mere dollars and cents—a debt claimed to be overdue; a piece of land in dispute; a wrangle over proportionate interests in joint property, and the like.

To The Advertiser it does not appear that there should be any question of precedence between these average civil suits and the cases which involve human life, liberty or a charge of crime.

As to the first class of cases, it is fundamental that prompt justice and punishment should be meted out to the professional criminal, or the law falls into contempt and its breach becomes a matter of course. A man will take a chance on being punished a year from now, who will not do so if he is to be tried on the merits forthwith.

The establishment of the principle of prompt justice is far more vital to the community than is the settling of private property disputes.

As to the second class of cases, "the man should be considered before the dollar!"

Human liberty; personal rights; the thing which makes a man a man instead of a thing, are subjects of the highest privilege, and should take precedence over all others.

The Advertiser believes that the judges of the circuit court should modify the policy of giving precedence to civil causes, and try the criminal cases first, until the calendar is cleared.

"Let the man take precedence over the dollar."

The Judicial Appointments

NEWS received yesterday morning by The Advertiser of the nomination of Samuel B. Kemp, as second judge of the first circuit, and of William H. Heen, as third judge, came as no great surprise, these two attorneys having been selected by general opinion some time ago. News of their nomination, however, comes as a satisfactory bit of intelligence, the congestion of business in the first circuit courts having become such that it was imperative that the President take action of some kind to fill the vacancy existing and the one soon to be through the retirement of Judge Whitney.

Local interest centers in the nomination of Mr. Heen, while it is probable that his appointment to the bench will excite comment throughout two continents, as the elevation of this young man will give the United States its first judge of Chinese blood. To him will go the best wishes of all Hawaii, with the hope that his youth and his comparative inexperience will not handicap him in his work on the bench.

Mr. Kemp, whose duties as assistant district attorney in the federal court have not brought him at all prominently before the public, is highly recommended by those who have had the best opportunity of knowing him and his professional attainments. That he will be given a welcome to the circuit court bench and will have the hearty support of the bar and of the public generally is assured.

The nomination of Mr. Kemp makes the third elevation to the bench in Hawaii of attorneys who have been brought from the mainland as assistants in the district attorney's office during the past four years, and two of these nominations have been to the circuit court. This might indicate that the federal district attorney's office is the open door through the Organic Act, were it not for the fact that the supply of Democratic timber for the bench is and always has been decidedly scanty.

Both the new judges, whose confirmations are not likely to be opposed in any material way, will enter upon their new duties as unknown quantities judicially. There are no prejudices in advance against either. Each has a clear field before him and each will be judged solely upon his record on the bench. That both will make good in every way is the sincere wish of The Advertiser.

The hand of Germany is detected in the revolution in Cuba, just as it was apparent in the Mexican border raids, in the blowing up of American factories and mills, the destruction of American property in American harbors and the murder of Americans both at home and abroad. But, as was overheard on a streetcar yesterday, "Wilson will wiggle out of it somehow."

"Bone Dry" Prohibition

THE measure designed by the house committee on Territories to provide prohibition for Hawaii is a real prohibition measure, one with teeth. Representative Hamlin of Missouri, who wrote the report for the committee and presented it in the house, makes this clear. If the bill becomes a law, as it probably will at the regular session, Hawaii will be "bone dry." The report of the committee is of such decided interest to every one in these islands that it is here given in full.

The committee on the Territories, having had under consideration H. R. 20300, a bill to prohibit the importation, manufacture and sale (except under certain conditions) of alcoholic liquors in the Territory of Hawaii, reports the same to the house, with a favorable recommendation.

This bill is a combination of the bills H. R. 16791, introduced on July 5, 1916, by Mr. Randall, of California, and H. R. 20301, introduced by Delegate Wickersham, of Alaska on January 22, 1917.

The committee considered and perfected the Wickersham Bill first and then, in considering the Randall Bill, concluded to strike out all in H. R. 16791 after the word "petition," in line 4, page 1, down to section 10, page 6, of said bill, and substitute therefore certain provisions of H. R. 20301 after the same had been amended and perfected by the committee. Whereupon, the committee instructed the author of this report to reintroduce said bill as agreed upon to report the same, which is now H. R. 20300.

The provisions just referred to are intended to prohibit, under certain conditions, any person or combination of persons, from importing, receiving, or shipping, or aiding or assisting in importing, receiving, or shipping into the Territory of Hawaii, or from manufacturing, selling, giving away, or attempting to sell, give away, or otherwise dispose of, or have in their possession any intoxicating liquors within the jurisdiction of said Territory. In other words it is intended to be a real prohibition of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes in the Territory of Hawaii.

The provisions of this bill which may appear as somewhat unusual are the conditions which must first be complied with before this law would become effective.

It provides for a plebiscite by the qualified electors of the said Territory. This law if passed by congress would not become effective until a majority of the qualified electors of the Territory shall petition for the same.

Your committee feels that they have safeguarded the securing of these petitions, the passing upon the validity and sufficiency of the same so as to eliminate fraud and nearly as may be in such cases.

The question naturally arises why, if the question of prohibition is to be submitted to the citizens of the Territory at all, provided for submission by petition rather than by vote?

There were various reasons given to the committee both pro and con on this question but we feel that it is sufficient, in explanation of the committee's action in providing for a plebiscite by petition, to say that the unconstrained statement to the committee was that there was an understanding, tantamount to an agreement, between the opposing forces in the Territory that the question should be submitted by petition.

The original bill covering this subject and containing that provision was first referred to a subcommittee of which the author of this report was made chairman. The question of the wisdom or the reasons for this provision arose early in the consideration of that bill by the subcommittee.

The representatives of the "drys" claimed that there was such an understanding of agreement as above referred to. The Delegate from the Territory, not being in Washington at that time called the chairman as follows:

"I strongly urge prohibition liquor traffic by petition plebiscite bill."

"KALANIANAOLE."

This statement as well as the statement that there was an understanding, practically amounting to an agreement, that this question should be presented to the people of the Territory by petition, was afterwards confirmed by the Delegate, and other interested parties in person before the full committee.

Your committee desiring to conform as nearly as may be to the wishes of the people of the Territory on this matter but keeping in mind always the best interest of that people, adopted that provision after first safeguarding the best we knew the provisions of the bill and now present the same to the house for their careful consideration, hoping that the people of that splendid Territory may be early saved from the blighting curse of intoxicating liquors.

Mosquitoes are once more singing as they work. Moral—look in your gutters and in the back yard for old cans containing stagnant water.

About the surest way for a man not to be appointed to a judgeship in Hawaii is to get the bar association to unanimously recommend him.

When Judge Ashford and Judge Monsarrat get through telling what they know about each other, the community may get some light on why the criminal calendar is a year in arrears.

"A stitch in time saves nine" is good logic when applied to road repairs, every where but in Honolulu. Here the maxim of the road authorities is "Oh let 'er rip! By and by we'll rebuild the street under the frontage tax law! Hurrah for us!"

Mr. Schnack wants a public subscription started, with which to buy Paterson's picture of the Volcano. How much will you lead off with, Mr. S.? "Money makes the mare go" and "example is better than precept" seem to be two appropriate texts from which to preach a sermon in this connection.

Despatches from El Paso laconically announce that there has been no pursuit across the Mexican line of the Villista bandits who raided into the United States, stole a hundred head of horses and either carried off or killed at least three American citizens. And the nation has become so accustomed to being humiliated by the Greasers that none even rises to ask why.

Kauai objects to the Territory spending any money for roads on the other islands, because she will get no benefit therefrom. Kauai is perfectly willing however to have the Territory and Uncle Sam also, spend money on Kauai for wharves and lighthouses and breakwaters and judges and other things which are of little or no value to any one but the people of Kauai. Kauai wants to get a little more of the "community spirit." She reminds us of the man who prayed—"Oh Lord! Bless me and my wife; my son John and his wife; us four and no more!" Wake up Kauai, and remember that you are a part of the Territory of Hawaii and not an independent empire.

BREVITIES

(From Wednesday Advertiser.)

The territorial naval militia will march in the military parade on Washington's Birthday. Lieut. Comdr. W. H. Stroud will command.

The advertising committee of the chamber of commerce met yesterday and approved the solicitation of a fund of \$350 for a pool table in the Makiki 6th station.

A cable message to relatives here received yesterday announced the death in San Francisco on Monday of Mrs. Joseph French Sr., mother of Mrs. Alfred Douse and Joseph French Jr., of Honolulu.

F. G. Kirekhoff, city engineer of the water and sewer system, reports that work on the new Maile conduit is progressing favorably. The conduit, when completed, will transport water from the Maile river, and the water shed in that vicinity, to reservoir No. 4.

The fight between the directors on one side and the officers and organization on the other of the Lusitana Society, which resulted in injunction proceedings being instituted last week in the circuit court to restrain the directors from holding a meeting this month, has apparently been settled, a discontinuance being filed today.

Arrangements have been completed for the Pan-Pacific dinner-dance to be held in the new artesian building on Bishop Square, Saturday, at six o'clock. At five-thirty o'clock the Pan-Pacific arch, designed by Gordon Osborne, and surmounted by the giant group of surf-board riders, will be unveiled, with appropriate, short, ceremonies.

Under war department authority of January 25, First Lieut. Richard T. Taylor, Twenty-fifth Infantry, now at 25th Street and Newton Avenue, New York City, is detailed as assistant military officer, and will remain at his present address pending further orders from these headquarters in connection with muster out of national guard.

A reception for Japanese Consul-General B. Mori, who has been on an inspection trip to Hawaii, will be held at Hilo next Saturday afternoon under the auspices of the Japanese Merchants' Association of Hilo, according to a report from that city. Several hundred prominent Americans have been invited to the reception.

(From Thursday Advertiser.)

Miss Lottie Aitken, of Oakland, who arrived on the Wilhelmina Tuesday, is the guest of Mrs. K. Lane, Kinau Street.

Award of the contract to build a dining room in the Oahu Inmate Asylum was made yesterday to H. H. Foster on his bid of \$3895.

The question of repealing the present Federal bankruptcy law will be submitted to the national chamber of commerce by the local chamber.

Dr. Aurelia H. Rhinehardt, president of Mills College for women of Oakland, talked before the students of Punahou Academy yesterday morning.

The board of directors of the chamber of commerce voted yesterday to recommend to its members that Monday, the opening day of the Carnival be observed as a half holiday.

James Wakefield filed a final account of the estate of A. T. Wakefield in the circuit court yesterday. James Wakefield is the executor of the estate.

The board of directors of the chamber of commerce yesterday approved the plan of a volunteer committee for holding an olympiad in Honolulu in June 1918.

Harry H. Hill, of Reno, Nevada, arrived in the Wilhelmina Tuesday to take the position of deputy internal revenue collector under J. F. Haley, internal revenue collector.

Resignations from the chamber of commerce were accepted yesterday by the board of directors from Robert Anderson and Albert Waterhouse. Two new members were elected, Fred Harrison and James A. Rath.

The Commercial Pacific Cable Company under date of February 14 issues the following statement: "Until further notice the deferred service, (night cablegrams) will be suspended. The ordinary traffic will be handled as usual."

Joe Pereira and Gabriel Kupaka, two boys who escaped from the Wailua Industrial school last week are held at the police station charged with petty larceny. Probation Officer Joe Leal turned the boys over to the police Monday. This morning they will appear before Judge Monsarrat for trial.

Three local prominent Japanese merchants are returning home on the Shinyo Maru, February 27. They are R. Niki, proprietor of the Hinode macearoni factory, D. Yonekura, general manager of the Sayegawa silk store and G. Nakamura of the Bishop Bank. They will all be accompanied by their families.

Major and Mrs. H. H. Sheehan, who arrived in Honolulu on the United States Transport Logan Tuesday, were the guests of honor Wednesday evening at a dinner party given by F. B. Silverwood at the Alexander Young Hotel. After the dinner, dancing and music were enjoyed on the roof garden. Major Sheehan will be stationed at Fort Shafter.

Miss May Forbes, of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, of London, England, arrived in Honolulu on the Wilhelmina, Tuesday. This afternoon she will address the local branches of the women's auxiliary of the board of missions at St. Clement's warial house at three o'clock. Miss Forbes will remain here until March 13, when she will sail for Japan.

BEWARE OF COLDS.

Children are much more likely to contract the contagious diseases when they have colds. Whooping cough, diphtheria, scarlet fever and consumption are diseases that are often contracted when the child has a cold. That is why all medical authorities say beware of colds. For the quick cure of colds you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers, Benson, Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.

PERSONALS

(From Wednesday Advertiser.)

Harry V. Patten, cashier of the First Bank of Hilo, is a visitor in the city. Miss Stella Correa, of 1212 Lunalilo Street, is recovering from a recent illness.

Japanese Eleven Consul K. Fujii who has been transferred to the Japanese consulate at San Francisco, will visit the Volcanic Islands next week. Fujii will go to his new post some time in April.

(From Friday Advertiser.)

Capt. T. A. Baldwin Jr., was an arrival by the transport on Tuesday, joining the Second Infantry as senior captain. Mrs. Baldwin was Miss Judd, one of the wealthy Colorado Judd family.

Rev. Samuel K. Kamaioipili, assistant pastor of Kaunakapili Church, Palama, will leave for the Claudine this afternoon for (Maui) and will return in the same steamer to Honolulu on Sunday morning.

Maj. Henry H. Sheen, C. A. C., who has been attached to the quartermaster corps, arrived on the Logan to be assistant to the department quartermaster. Major Sheen has been on duty at Llano Grande, Texas.

Wallace Burns and Miss Bernice Maule, of Kailahi, were married last night by Rev. S. K. Kamaioipili, assistant pastor of Kaunakapili Church, Palama, the witness being Ernie Thomas and Miss Violet Maule, sister of the bride.

German-American Clerk Dismissed From Navy Service

George Roenitz, who for nine years was chief clerk to the commandant at the Pearl Harbor naval station, was one of the German-born employees who were discharged last week on orders received from Washington.

Roenitz said yesterday he was unable to understand why he had been discharged, since no charges had been made against him and Captain Clarke told him that there was nothing whatever against his record. He said that he had been an American citizen since 1899 and that he took out his first papers the day after he arrived in New York from Germany.

Roenitz also said that he had refused to join the German American Alliance and the Sons of Hermann and had refused all invitations to go aboard the German vessels interned in Honolulu harbor. Asked what would be his attitude in case the United States went to war with Germany, Roenitz replied that he was an American citizen, looked upon America as his country and would take up arms in defense of the United States.

Reports of Five Plantations Show Prosperous Year

Annual reports of five plantation companies made public yesterday all show a prosperous past year and report bright prospects for the present crop.

The companies reporting are Ewa, Wailua, Pacific Sugar Mill, Olowalu and Waimanalo.

Ewa reports a net profit for 1916 of \$1,754,709.50, dividends paid of \$1,300,000, expenditures for permanent improvements of \$79,490.18, bonuses paid to laborers of \$248,997.67 and balance on hand at the end of the year of \$1,223,371.10. George F. Renton, manager, reports that there is every prospect of the estimated yield for 1917 of 31,610 tons of sugar being exceeded.

Wailua reports a net profit for the year of \$1,497,754.41, dividends paid of \$990,000, expenditures for permanent improvements of \$178,501.12, balance on hand at the end of the year of \$3,490,097.67.

Pacific Sugar Mill reports a net profit on the 1916 crop of \$195,833.57, dividends paid of \$51,000 and a balance for the year of \$107,026.99. Olowalu reports a net profit of \$85,234.34, dividends paid of \$51,000 and a balance for the year of \$135,142.53.

Waimanalo reports net profits for the year of \$294,170.16, dividends paid of \$189,000 and a balance carried forward of \$390,548.57.

PACIFIC MILL NOTES SOLD LOCALLY AT LOW INTEREST

Indications of the decided local trend towards lower rates of interest on securities of recognized character are seen in the rate secured on a recent issue of notes by the Pacific Sugar Mill.

Stockholders of the company were informed at the last meeting that the purchase of the bonds had been found to be the issue of two-year notes at five per cent. The notes replace in part an issue of \$500,000 of six per cent bonds which the company has decided to redeem entirely on December 31. The notes, bearing one per cent lower interest rate, have been sold through the agency of the Bishop Trust Company, Ltd.

YOUNG HONOLULU SAILOR ENJOYS HIS FIRST SNOW

Capt. Max Schlemmer has just received a letter from his young son, Eric, who shipped some time ago at Honolulu on the ship John Ena, saying the vessel was at Union Bay, British Columbia, January 31, and that there was two feet of snow on the deck. This is the young man's first experience with snow and cold weather, and he is enjoying it. All on board were well at the time the letter was written.

PRICE OF RUBBER SCORES ADVANCE

Favorable Reports Are Received From Pahang and Tanjong Olak Plantations

Quotations for rubber in both the Singapore and New York markets scored big advances yesterday, while advices received by the Waterhouse Company, agents for locally owned rubber plantations, indicate a strong market for the product. At the same time F. T. P. Waterhouse, of the Waterhouse Company, was in receipt of reports from the Pahang and the Tanjong Olak rubber plantations giving optimistic statements of conditions.

The new quotation for plantation pale crepe at the Singapore auction is 66.25 cents a pound, an advance of 5.99 cents a pound over the previous quotation of 60.27 cents. Rubber in New York for the same date scored 16 cents a pound, from 75 cents to 91 cents.

The market is strong in spite of unfavorable conditions, according to Mr. Waterhouse, who reports three factors dominating the situation—inadequate shipping facilities, the difficulty of getting permits at Singapore to ship rubber to the United States, on account of the shortage of the commodity in England, and the difficulty of getting exchange on India.

The output of Pahang for January was 29,000 pounds against 27,030 pounds for January, 1916. Tanjong Olak produced 21,500 pounds of rubber against 23,261 pounds for January last year. Tanjong Olak's low output is attributed to wintering having started earlier than usual. Reports from both plantations were summarized as follows:

"During January, Pahang produced at the rate of 935 pounds of rubber a day, and with three days less this month the output should be about 2800 pounds less. The yield of Tanjong Olak is expected to be larger in February than January, despite the short month."

E. W. SUTTON NOW BISHOP MANAGER

Trust Company Is To Open Department For Mainland Stocks and Bonds

E. W. Sutton, for five years a member of the law firm of Smith, Warren & Sutton, today assumes the position of vice-president and manager of Bishop Trust Company, Ltd., succeeding Willard E. Brown, resigned. Coincident with the change in management, the company announced yesterday that a mainland stock and bond department is to be opened under the direction of R. F. Stever, who has been representing the Western Mortgage and Guaranty Company of California in Honolulu.

Mr. Brown remains treasurer and a member of the board of directors of the company and retains his financial interests. He retires from active management planning to spend much of his time on the mainland with Mrs. Brown where their son and daughter are attending college.

The Bishop Trust Company was re-capitalized three years ago just before Mr. Brown took over the management and its surplus was distributed among the stockholders. In addition to paying regular dividends during the intervening years it is estimated that the company now has on hand an undivided profit account of \$73,000.

STOCKS RECOVER IN DULL MARKET

Sugars Score Fractional Gains With Trading Small; Engels Advances

There was a note of strength in the stock market yesterday that caused fractional recoveries of sugar securities throughout the list. Unlisted stocks were not as generally inclined to advance though Engels Copper and Honolulu Oil continued strong. The volume of trading was small but there was a decided tendency for prices to continue firm during the afternoon.

Advances in price were H. C. & S., a quarter to 46½; Oahu, an eighth to 28½; McBryde, three-eighths to 10; Pioneer, a quarter to 35; Pahang Rubber, a half to 30. Prices without change were Olin at 14½, Wailua at 27½, and Hawaii Consolidated "A" at 8½. Ewa, between boards, declined a quarter to 27½.

On the yellow list, Engels advanced five eighths, selling at 7.25, 7.37½ and 7.87½, closing with holders asking eight dollars. Oil advanced another ten cents to 3.70 from last session with 3.75 bid and 3.90 asked. Mineral Products was firm at 90 cents, Montana Bingham at 45 cents and Madera Gold at 29 cents.

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JUDGE HATCH AND HORNER DROP OUT OF OFFICE RACE

Neither Will Be Candidate To Succeed Himself On Board of Supervisors

THREE NEW ASPIRANTS FOR BOARD TOSS HATS IN RING

Henry, McClellan and Petrie Setting Caps For Votes Says City Hall Report

At least two of the members of the present board of supervisors do not intend to try for reelection, according to an announcement that was made at the city hall yesterday. Robert Horner and Judge F. M. Hatch have concluded that they will stay out of the fight and let somebody else shoulder the burden.

As stated by The Advertiser yesterday, Horner and Hatch are the weakest members of the board, from the point of vote-getting. Horner's record, in the view of the better element of the community, has not been such as to entitle him to reelection, his recent attempt to have the city go into partnership with the denizens of the Twilley red light district having branded him as reactionary and not in sympathy with the sentiment of the times.

Hatch has been a conscientious member of the board, but it is the view of many that he is not sufficiently in touch with "the people," meaning those who fail to see beyond their narrow, personal horizon, and not enough in harmony with their wishes. In this instance Honolulu will lose the services of one of the best informed men who ever sat in the city council.

However, there will be no dearth of candidates, although comparatively few have come out into the open as yet. Three new ones cropped up yesterday. William (Hi) Henry, who for many years was high sheriff of the Territory and who is now known as the "mayor" of Kaneohe, is one of the three.

William H. McClellan is another aspirant. He was a member of the previous board of supervisors and made a good record. It is now a member of the board of harbor commissioners which, however, would not conflict with his being a member of the board of supervisors.

The third man whose candidacy is said to have been announced is Lester Petrie. He was a member of the board of supervisors with McClellan and he, like "Mac" thinks he can "come back."

HELPED TO SAVE WOMAN FROM DEATH

An echo of a scandal aired in Honolulu several years ago is brought back here by a passenger on the transport Logan, now in port—Casimir N. Guertin, of the Philippines secret service. The police, and the public generally, have a vivid recollection of the brutal assault made on Mrs. Margaret Claire Beutinger by her husband in the Moana Hotel, in June, 1914.

This resulted at the time in the temporary imprisonment of Beutinger in the local jail, and further actions of his similar to his Moana outrage were recorded of him across the country, until it resulted in his wife killing him.

Through a strange fancy of fate Mr. Guertin, who is completing a round trip to the States with a bride who was formerly Miss Ruby Williams, reached the East at the time Mrs. Beutinger was on trial for her life in Newark.

He went there immediately, as he had known and been a witness to the same brutalities of Beutinger towards his wife in Manila as Honoluluans became acquainted with here. The defendant recognized him in the courtroom, he was qualified as a witness, and his evidence so far supported her plea of self-defense. She also was acquitted of murder and freed by the jury.

It does not come to every man on his honeymoon to save a woman, who is morally free of guilt, from the consequences of a technical murder, and Mr. Guertin fully appreciates the unique opportunity. As his honeymoon was responsible, and his bride responsible for the honeymoon, Mrs. Guertin rightly feels that she also shares in the distinction.

WHEREABOUTS OF CHINA DISCOVERED

The Chinese New Year is, the cause of the delay in the schedule of the China Mail liner China, according to information received from the Orient yesterday by the agents, H. H. Hachfeld & Co. The vessel arrived at Nagasaki on Tuesday from Hongkong, according to the message, and reports that the vessel is fourteen days late. The Chinese New Year is given as the cause of the delay. As the vessel is Chinese owned, although sailing under the American flag, it is probable that the holiday, which usually stops all commercial machinery in the Celestial Republic, had more effect on her than on other transpacific vessels, all of which kept their schedules.